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In re Patent No. 6,627,610

Jeffrey Glenn

Issue Date: September 30, 2003 Application No. 09/687,267 Filed: October 13, 2000

Attorney Docket No. 240042052403

: DECISION ON

PATENT TERM ADJUSTMENT

AND

NOTICE OF INTENT :

TO ISSUE

CERTIFICATE OF CORRECTION

This is a decision on the "REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION OF USPTO'S PATENT TERM ADJUSTMENT DETERMINATION UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 154(b)(3)(B)(ii)", filed October 8, 2002 (Certificate of Mailing dated October 29, 2005). Patentee requests that the patent term adjustment indicated on the patent be corrected from forty-eight (48) to one hundred forty-four (144) days.

The petition is **GRANTED** to the extent indicated herein. are given thirty (30) days to respond to this decision. period is not extendable under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136. Applicants This time

The patent term adjustment indicated on the patent is to be corrected by issuance of a certificate of correction showing a revised Patent Term Adjustment of zero (0) days.

On September 10, 2002, the Office mailed the Determination of Patent Term Adjustment under 35 U.S.C. 154(b) in the above identified application. The Notice stated that the patent term adjustment (PTA) to date was one (1) day.

On October 8, 2002, Applicant timely¹ submitted the instant application for patent term adjustment, asserting that the correct number of days of PTA at the time of the mailing of the Notice of Allowance is ninety-seven (97) days. On September 30, 2003, the application issued into patent no. 6,627,610 with a patent term adjustment of forty-eight

Applicants filed the application for patent term adjustment prior to payment of the issue fee.

(48) days.

The Office initially determined a patent term adjustment of zero (0) days based on an adjustment for PTO delay of one hundred sixty-seven (167) days pursuant to 35 U.S.C. 154(b)(1)(A)(iv) and 37 C.F.R. § 1.703(a)(6) and ninety-seven (97) days pursuant to 35 U.S.C. 154(b)(1)(A)(ii) and 37 C.F.R. 1.703(a)(2), reduced by Applicants' delays of ninety-six (96) and six (6) days pursuant to 35 U.S.C. 154(b)(2)(C)(ii) and 37 C.F.R. § 1.704(b), one hundred fourteen (114) days pursuant to 35 U.S.C. 154(b)(2)(C)(i) and 37 C.F.R. § 1.704(c)(10). The adjustment of ninety-six (96) and ninety-seven (97) days are at issue. (97) days are at issue.

Applicant is correct that he should not have been assessed ninety-six (96) days of delay for filing an amendment on February 5, 2005. The Office action on August 1, 2001. The Office action on August 1, 2001. then mailed a final Office action on August 1, 2001. The Office then mailed a new Office action, restarting the period for reply, on December 5, 2001. As applicant's amendment was filed within three months of this new Office action, no applicant delay should have been assessed. However, applicant's amendment failed to place the application in condition for allowance. It was not until June 13, 2002 that applicant filed a Request for Continued Examination. Accordingly, applicant should have been assessed one hundred (100) days of applicant delay pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.704(b).

In view of the RCE filed June 13, 2002, the Notice of Allowance September 10, 2002 was timely mailed by the Office within four months. Accordingly, the Office should not have been assessed ninety-seven (97) days for the mailing of the Notice of Allowance, but rather zero (0) days.

In view thereof, the correct determination of PTA is zero (0) days (167 days of PTO delay, reduced by 220 (6+114+100) days of applicant delay).

Receipt of the \$200.00 fee set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.18(e) is acknowledged.

The application file is being forwarded to the Certificates of Correction Branch for issuance of a certificate of correction in order to rectify the error regarding the patent term information. See 35 U.S.C. § 254 and 37 C.F.R. § 1.322. The certificate of correction will indicate that the term of the above-identified patent is extended or adjusted by zero (0) days, subject to any disclaimers.

Telephone inquiries specific to this matter should be directed to Cliff Congo, Petitions Attorney, at (571)272-3207.

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for Patent Examination Policy

Enc: draft certificate of correction

Made timely for purposes of avoiding abandonment by obtaining a three month extension of time, and by including a Certificate of Mailing dated June 5, 2002. However, a Certificate of Mailing is not taken into account in the PTA determination.

Day: Wednesday







PTA Calculations for Application: <u>09/687267</u>						
Application Filing Date:	10/13/2000	PTO Delay (PTO):	264			
Issue Date of Patent:	09/30/2003	Three Years:	0			
Pre-Issue Petitions:	0	Applicant Delay (APPL):	216			
Post-Issue Petitions:	0	Total PTA (days):	0			
PTO Delay Adjustment:	-101					

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37	09/09/2002	DATE FORWARDED TO EXAMINER			
36	06/13/2002	REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)			
35	09/09/2002	DISPOSAL FOR A RCE/CPA/129 (EXPRESS ABANDONMENT IF CPA)			
34	06/13/2002	REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME - GRANTED			
32	06/17/2002	DATE FORWARDED TO EXAMINER			
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28	03/18/2002	AFFIDAVIT(S) (RULE 131 OR 132) OR EXHIBIT(S) RECEIVED			
27	03/04/2002	MAIL EXAMINER INTERVIEW SUMMARY (PTOL - 413)			
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20	12/05/2001	MAIL NOTICE OF RESTARTED RESPONSE PERIOD			

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18	12/05/2001	CORRESPONDENCE ADDRESS CHANGE		
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12	12/06/2000	INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT (IDS) FILED	-	
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9	10/31/2000	INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT (IDS) FILED		
8	10/13/2000	PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT		
7	12/30/2000	CASE DOCKETED TO EXAMINER IN GAU		
6	12/14/2000	APPLICATION DISPATCHED FROM OIPE		
5	12/11/2000	CORRESPONDENCE ADDRESS CHANGE		
4	11/06/2000	ERROR(S) IN CRF CORRECTED BY STIC		
3	10/30/2000	IFW SCAN & PACR AUTO SECURITY REVIEW		
2	10/13/2000	CRF DISK HAS BEEN RECEIVED BY PREEXAM / GROUP / PCT		
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## **EXPLANATION OF PTA CALCULATION**

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## UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE **CERTIFICATE OF CORRECTION**

PATENT

: 6,627,610 B1

DATED

: September 30, 2003

INVENTOR(S): Jeffrey Glenn

It is certified that error appears in the above-identified patent and that said Letters Patent is hereby corrected as shown below:

On the cover page,

Subject to any disclaimer, the term of this patent is extended or adjusted [\*] Notice: under 35 USC 154(b) by (48) days

Delete the phrase "by 48 days" and insert – by 0 days—